



# U.S. Air Force AIM POINTS

A daily summary of news, messages and communication tactics to help AF people tell the AF story.

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## NEWS ABOUT THE MILITARY

- **Tanker lease:** Bush admin has accepted lease/buy proposal, Sen Levin says. ([News Tribune/Bloomberg](#)) White House likely to support compromise. ([Wash Post](#))<sup>eb</sup> Senate conferees expect DoD to back compromise. ([Congress Daily](#)) Army takes lesson from AF, abandons lease deal for high-speed transport ships. ([Inside the Pentagon](#))<sup>eb</sup>
- **House, Senate conferees** continue work on FY '04 defense authorization bill. ([National Journal](#))<sup>eb</sup>
- **Chu HASC testimony:** Talks about Reserve forces issues. ([AFPS](#)) Nearly half of US troops won't reenlist, survey shows. ([NY Daily News](#))<sup>eb</sup>
- **USTRANSCOM rolls out** new system to improve supply-chain efficiency. ([St Louis Post-Dispatch](#))<sup>eb</sup>
- **Law schools take Pentagon's** campus recruiting policy to court. ([CSM](#))<sup>eb</sup>
- **Lawmakers OK \$14.3M** to buy land, development rights to protect Luke AFB. ([AZ Republic](#))
- **Robins AFB to get \$36.6M** for military construction projects. ([Macon Telegraph](#))<sup>eb</sup>

## OIF & WAR ON TERRORISM NEWS

- **Rebels attack three** US convoys in Mosul Wed; three Iraqis die, five Americans hurt. ([AP](#))
- **US nabs two former** Iraqi generals; pair may have financed, organized anti-US attacks. ([BBC News](#))
- **US rebuffed 11<sup>th</sup>-hour bid** by Saddam to avoid war with US, intermediary claims. ([NYT](#))
- **Guard equipment:** Chinook downed in Iraq had protective gear, DoD says. ([St Louis Post-Dispatch](#)) Guard aircraft not equipped with anti-missile systems, lawmaker charges. ([Chicago Tribune](#))<sup>eb</sup>
- **Pentagon approves 100,000** troops for Iraq next year, 40,000 from Guard, Reserve. ([CNN](#))
- **Air mobility keeps troops** in Iraq supplied with mission-essential equipment. ([Wash Post](#))<sup>eb</sup>
- **EUCOM wants to** reach out to sub-Saharan govts to head off terrorist activity. ([Inside the Pentagon](#))<sup>eb</sup>
- **Embedded reporters** provided more balanced coverage of war, study finds. ([Financial Times](#))<sup>eb</sup>
- **National symphony struggles** to play on in postwar Iraq. ([LA Times](#))<sup>eb</sup>

## OF INTEREST

- **Iran intends to sign** protocol opening nuclear programs to full inspections. ([AP](#))
- **After the smoke clears:** Ecologists look at long-term impact of wildfires. ([CSM](#))
- **UN trial on Rwandan** genocide begins. ([BBC News](#))
- **Mint to unveil new nickel** design today. ([CNN](#))
- **Voyager 1 spacecraft** reaches edge of solar system, 8.3B miles from the sun. ([USA Today](#))
- **Study finds differences** in how brains of women, men respond to pain. ([BBC News](#))

## TODAY'S MESSAGE

**The AF has formed a council to provide AF-level guidance for force development.** The council will

- Provide an institutional perspective on issues
  - Make recommendations to SECAF and CSAF
- VCSAF will chair the council; members will include
- Senior military and civilian functional authorities
  - MAJCOM vice commanders
  - Chiefs of the ANG and the AF Reserve
  - CMSAF

**Three offices under the council will implement the force-development doctrine:**

- **Force-development office** -- Will establish regulatory policies and program guidelines, coordinate activities, monitor and ensure adherence to force-development policy
- **Force-development support office** -- Will provide day-to-day analytical support to force-development structure and development teams
- **Force-development teams** -- Will oversee personnel development for the council and functional authorities; will consist of career field leaders, AFPC team representatives and MAJCOM stakeholders

## SENIOR LEADERS ARE SAYING...

- 'The foundational document for **force development** is based on what we need our people to know, when we want them to know it and what they must be able to do with that information.' (AFSLOMO, Oct 03)

## IDEAS THAT WORK

- For an overview of **AF force development**, read the Oct 7, 2003, CSAF Sight Picture. Log on to [www.af.mil/lib/sight/Total\\_Force\\_Development.pdf](http://www.af.mil/lib/sight/Total_Force_Development.pdf)

## EUROPEANS ARE SAYING...

- A little more than half say they feel **their countries are threatened by terrorists**.
- More than two-thirds think **the war against Iraq was not justified**.
- More than half **want their countries to help finance reconstruction in Iraq**. (Europoll, Oct 8-16)

## CALENDAR

- **ASECDEF for Legislative Affairs** hosts DoD media availability w/ US representatives who recently returned from Iraq, 0930 ET
- **DEPSECDEF** hosts honor cordon for Pakistan's minister of education, 1130 ET
- **DEPSECDEF** hosts honor cordon for Congo's president, 1645 ET
- 1930 [Capt Eddie Rickenbacker](#) received the Medal of Honor for his actions in WW I